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FLAKEBOARD'S CPB PLANT RECEIVES FSC CERTIFICATION

Markham, CANADA –The Rainforest Alliance SmartWood Program has granted Flakeboard's Bennettsville, SC particleboard plant certification to its Forest Stewardship Council's Chain-of-Custody (COC) and Controlled Wood (CW) standards.

The FSC is a globally-recognized, not-for-profit organization established to promote responsible management of the world's forests. Products displaying the FSC label assure consumers that they are contributing to the ecological, social and economic needs of present and future generations.

Flakeboard's multi-site certification applies to Bennettsville MDF and particleboard, and includes thermally fused melamine finished products. "This certification is an important step towards fully achieving our best practices goals with wood management," states TJ Rosengarh, VP and Chief Operating Officer. "FSC accreditation for particleboard and melamine finished panels is an important added benefit for our customers and demonstrates our continued support for the industry's leading environmental programs."

All Flakeboard products are currently EPP certified and CARB Phase 1 compliant. The company continues to take a progressive stand as an environmentally conscious representative of the composite panel industry; demonstrating commitment to customers, while respecting the environment and communities in which it operates.

Flakeboard, a privately-held company, is the largest manufacturer of particleboard and medium density fiberboard panels in North America. Since its incorporation in 1960, Flakeboard has been focused on growth within the composite panel industry, and on the formation of a highly integrated business model through constant reinvestment and optimization.

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